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The Great Rouge found Out, Or, The Justice Catch'd in a

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I Wou'd not have the too cenſorious world Think or Immagin that I'm going to tell a Story of *Robbin Hood* and the *D—ke* of *La-ſ-r*, or of *Robbin Hood* and *Little John*, or of *Jack* and the *Gyant*, the Seven *Wiſe-Maſters*, *Argylus* and *Perthenea*, *Pyramus* and *Thisbe*, *Daphne* and *Apollo* &c. Things that happen'd [if ever they happen'd] ſome Hundred years ſince, or that I'm going to *Sing Song*, a Song about *King John* and the *Abbot* of *Canterbury*, or *King Henry* and fair *Roſamund*; No, no thoſe are Dangerous Things, Things I've nothing to do with Crown Heads, unleſs it be to render them their Due, as the Scripture ſays, *Give to Cæſar the things that are Cæſar's*, ſo I muſt pay him his Due, both as to Taxes, and Homage which is the Duty of every man; But as aforeſaid as I am not to Treat of Crown Heads, ſo I ſhall ſay no more of them, only pray God to bleſs every good King, and ſo proceed to Relate the Great and Good News from Weſtminſter.

There was One Mr. C-- a noted Gentleman in the West of England who was for Sometime poſſeſſed of a very pretty Eſtate; however, wanting Money he goes to a Lawyer and to him propoſes a Mortgage, which was made upon the ſame for 3000 *l.* The Gentleman for ſeven years paſt took no care to pay either the Principale or Intreſt, So that the other deſign'd to *foreſhut* the Mortgage, and enter upon the premiſes; but Mr. C—— to prevent it offers the Eſtate to Sale, upon which the Original Deeds being produced to an able Counſellor, the Counſellor gave his Opinion the Tittle was not good, and that the Right of Inheritance was in one J—— B-- who was a poor Man and worked hard for a Livelihood; The Attorney hearing the Counſellor's Opinion runs directly to both thee Perſon in Poſſeſſion and the Mortgagee, and put them both in a Fright, by alledging that if each of them did not give him five Hundred Guineas, he wou'd diſcover to the Right Heir how the Matter Stood; Upon this they were obliged to Comply and give him the Money: It happen'd Sometime after that this Attorney benig in Company with One W—— another Attorney, and talking of their Practice Says W —— to the other I wonder which way you have got ſuch an Eſtate in ſo ſmale a time; nay, ſays the other, I wonder which way you've gott that Eſtate; Why ſays he I can eaſily unridele that, well pray do ſays the other; Why ſays W when ever I am ſent for to make a Will I commonly make my ſelf Executor Gaurdian or Truſtee, and give my ſelf a Good Legacy tho' I was never intended to named in the Will, and having read it quite over my Clerk writes it over Fair, and thus I've got my Eſtate for at one Time I got 3000*l.* by making Such a Will for Squire T. Well ſaye the other Since you've been ſo kind to tell me your Practice I tell you how I got mine, why truely I received 1000*l.* about Mr. C—— Eſtate who when he wanted to ſell it I found he had no good Title; wherefore, I threaten'd to tell the Right Heir if the Mortgagee and Proſſeſſor did not give me 1000 *l.* which they conſented to.

It happen'd ſome time after that theſe two Lawyers fell out and then in the middle of Weſtminſter Hall impeached each others Honeſty, from whence there is gone great and Good News from Weſtminſter into the Country to the Right heir of *Mr.* C—— Eſtate, who they ſay is *preſerving* a bill of and will ſoon come to his own.

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